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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Docket Number (Optional)
LEX-0301-USA

In re Application of Friddle et al.

Application Number 10/054,680 Filed 01/22/02

For Novel Human Ion Exchanger Proteins and Polynucleotides
Encoding the Same

Group Art Unit 1647 Examiner C. J. Nichols

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate small-entity fee are as follows
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Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) \$ 225.00

Applicant claims small entity status.

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